

He then increased his pace, intending to distance his companions, to which he was the more strongly tempted, as a female, very gaudily dressed, came to his side, and assured him that she had been at the Land of which he was in search, and was ready to conduct him thither by the quickest way. Notwithstanding all that had been told him, Master *Headstrong* soon gave ear to her; she tripped on before, and he followed as lightly as if he trod on air; nor

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in the midst of his joy, did he observe that she left the straight road that he had been charged to take, till he found himself in a sort of maze, and had lost the sight of his flattering conductress.

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